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TO: Holders of AHCCCS Medical Policy Manuals

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SUBJECT: AHCCCS Medical Policy Manual (AMPM)
Update, August 2006

We have one complete Chapter review, two Policy reviews, a new Exhibit in Chapter 300, a clarification and one typographical correction this month.

Chapter 300, Exhibit 310-1

We are adding a reprint of the Arizona Administrative Code Rules regarding emergency medical and behavioral health services for non-Federal Emergency Services members. Due to the addition of this Exhibit, the Table of Contents has changed. Persons with questions on this policy should contact Claire Sinay at (602) 417-4178.

Chapter 400, Policy 430, Incontinence Briefs

We are adding further clarification to the current policy for incontinence briefs. See page 430-15 for the changes and restrictions that have been made. Pagination has changed as a result, so the additional pages are enclosed, along with the first two pages of the Table of Contents. These are substantive changes. The affected page will carry the revised date of July 1, 2006. Persons with questions on this policy should contact Claire Sinay at (602) 417-4178.

Chapter 800, Policy 820

This Policy discusses AHCCCS Fee for Service prior authorization requirements. Changes have been added throughout the Policy regarding a provider's responsibility to notify AHCCCS Administration within 72 hours following an inpatient admission. The changed pages are noted below in the Update portion of this memo. The affected pages will carry the 8/1/2006 revised date. Persons with questions on this coverage may contact Claire Sinay at (602) 417-4178.

Chapter 1100

Chapter 1100 discusses the Federal Emergency Services Program, which covers emergency services only for undocumented individuals who are not otherwise eligible for services. It has been completely reviewed. Those providers who provide services to this population should review the Chapter carefully for any changes. The entire Chapter will carry the 8/1/2006 revised date. Persons with questions on these changes may contact Claire Sinay at (602) 417-4178.

Chapter 1200

A clarification was made in Policy 1240 (page 1240-4) regarding the range of settings in which an attendant care provider may provide the approved services. Attendant care services are not limited to the boundaries of the member's home. This is a substantive change/clarification, so will carry the August 1, 2006 revised date.

A minor typographical error was discovered on page 1240-25. This is not a substantive change.

Questions on Chapter 1200 should be directed to Carol Sanders at (602) 417-4302.

TO UPDATE YOUR AMPM:

Chapter 300, Exhibit 310-1

Remove Chapter Table of Contents and add revised Table of Contents.

Add Exhibit 310-1 just behind Policy 310.

Chapter 400, Policy 4300

Replace the first 2 pages of the Table of Contents with the revised pages of the Table of Contents.

Replace pages 430-15 through 430-20 with the revised pages 430-15 through 430-20.

Chapter 800, Policy 820

Replace pages 820-1/2 with the revised pages 820-1/2.

Replace pages 820-5 through 820-10 with the revised pages 820-5 through 820-10.

Replace pages 820-25 through 820-26 with the revised pages 820-25 through 820-27.

Chapter 1100

Replace the entire Chapter with the revised Chapter.

Chapter 1200

Replace pages 1240-3/4 with the revised pages 1240-3/4.

Replace pages 1240-25/26 with the revised pages 1240-25/26.

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